

the thirty four who volunteered to work for the Master. We are praying for another Pentecost. We have an evergreen Sabbath school—one of the best in the Township. Brother John Kiefer is superintending the work and makes it move. We are a happy band though young in the work. Our united prayers with the great commander, Jesus at the helm with our worthy pastor, we shall succeed.

Your Brother,
SMITH YOUNG.

NORTH GEORGETOWN CHURCH, OHIO.

This little band of Gospel believers was somewhat scattered; many being women and young boys, and girls. And, figuratively speaking, all of us were poor financially. A few among us had farms and were free from debt, while others had homes but were yet involved. What then could we do? One alternative alone seems left, and that was to forget all else, trust in God and go to work. We did this; and on Nov. 14th, 1892, we felled the first tree, made the first sawlog and hauled it to mill for building a church. Weather being favorable work progressed finely; until the building was enclosed. Then the chilling breezes came sweeping over hill and dale and the earth was over spread with a white mantle, once more warning us that stern winter was upon us. So we were obliged, for a time, to abandon work, but while the sound of the saw and hammer was not heard, the mind was at work, and that in good earnest. While delayed we had Brethren Shaver and Keim come and warm us up, which they did as they were very much interested in our welfare. We often wonder why it was that they would leave their cosy homes, and dear families to weather the storm, coming sixteen miles. And then, to our mortified hearts, had to preach to us under such adverse circumstances, having no suitable place to hold meeting, (as related in our first communication) for the church doors of our neighbor Brethren were looked. But hoped us on; despair never entered the heart of any one. We believed in the words of the Savior who said he would not forsake those who put their trust in him. We believed that God was in the work, so well did we succeed. During the cold and stormy days we gathered the material which was about all to bring along distance, so that when warm weather should come we would be ready. And, as we must sooner or later succumb to grim death, so did the winter storms to balmy spring. When again they were taken up in good earnest; being from time to time encouraged by Brother Bowman who had promised to dedicate the church. I am safe in saying that the Brethren were made to work harder by the many appeals, and encouraging letters wrote to us by the great Evangelist. I judge some by my self as I could always work better when I remembered the parting injunctions of Brother Bowman. Thus encouraged we labored hard day by

day, each evening a little nearer done than the night before. By May 1st, the plastering was finished then came the hustle for carpenter work, and all hands joined in so that the end of May found the work nearly completed. Some painting, and minor things to be yet. But it was safe to announce the day for dedication, and notify Brother Bowman that the 11th, of June 1893 was the day set to dedicate the house to the ever merciful and kind God who stood by us in the many trials and difficulties with which we met. Oh! how we counted the days, and then the hours until finally the hour of 10. A. M. June 11th, was upon us. And now may He who hath pencilled the leaves with beauty, given the flowers their bloom, and lent music to the lay of the timid bird, graciously remember us in that day when He shall gather His jewels.

(To be continued.)

GEORGE A. RUFF.

March 2nd, 1894.

OUR YOUNG CORRESPONDENTS.

ROANOKE, VA., March 14th, '94.

The Evangelist is so much improved in its appearance and contributions since its enlargement and change of form, and especially is this noticeable in the interesting letters of our young correspondents.

The editor is so thoughtful in giving each, words of encouragement and praise. We want our young members to feel an interest in the paper and in the work of the church. It does make the old soldiers feel stronger to see the young soldiers marching in the front of the army of the Lord. Satan cannot do much harm to the saints who have their armor on and who are working in the Lord's vineyard.

Keep your page full little brothers and sisters. If you have but a dozen lines send them on so that we may know you are not sleeping.

I want to ask you a question. What is the name and age of the youngest of Israel's kings, and what does it teach you?

I was so glad to read the sweet letters from our little sisters, Ella, May and Mabel Winn, of Lunenburg, Va., especially as they are striving to serve the dear Savior who loved them and died for them. It is very sweet, little soldiers, to love and serve Him who loves us so affectionately, and who is always near to help us when we are troubled and tempted.

You write of the world's frivolities. Ah, yes! Satan entices so many from the narrow path by the bundles of worthy pleasure and vanities of many kinds. Keep very near your Savior and pray for him constantly to help you to watch lest you enter into temptation.

I want to tell you a happy surprise I had in the city of Richmond, Va., last week. I was sitting in the lobby of the hotel reading when I was startled to hear the familiar voice of your loving father greet me with the familiar expression, "How are

you, Bro. Dan." You may be sure that we had a delightful hour, and before he left the hotel we managed to visit our brothers and sisters in the great city.

Next day we visited Bro. and Sister Wallace and the family of Bro. Crafton, and spent pleasant moments in conversation, in reading and prayer. We were happy to meet them once more in this world. I think Bro. Harrison is rather partial to his Va. correspondents, is he not, Sister Ella May?

I wish more of them would write for the EVANGELIST. Will not Sister Alma Wisler of Carroll City, Va., favor us with a letter from that far southern city. She has just come among the "King's Daughters," through the ministry of Bro. Sutphin of Floyd City. Bro. Sutphin is under obligations to write of his work and experience since his re-enlistment.

Bro. Thompson of Dayton, Va., wields a facile pen. Please dip it in your ink well Bro. T. and tell us how the battle goes in Rockingham.

I will say to Bro. Harrison that we have the dearest, loveliest saints in all the Kingdom here in Va., and if your heart begins to feel the chill of spiritual loneliness just come over the Alleghanies and get a refreshing from the Lord in Roanoke or Lunenburg or Rockingham or Shenandoah, or in any other camp of the Lord's army.

Today has been one of the stormiest of the season, but it did not keep us from the sanctuary. We don't want to merit the title of fair weather Christians. So when our little daughter Anna asked at breakfast table, "Papa will we go to church today?" I replied "Yes, get ready promptly." At half past ten we were driving in the sharp teeth of one of the severest snow blizzards I ever experienced and found a warm welcome at our tabernacle in the city, at the close of a 25 minutes drive. The welcome consisted of a good fire and cheerful sexton *pro tem*.

We had only four auditors yet our service was delightful. Did I preach a regular sermon to only four auditors, you ask? Certainly. Philip preached once to only one person and he was successful. "He that is faithful in little is faithful in much."

I preached about a good, honest, faithful preacher and a bad auditor who had a wicked wife and a wicked step-daughter. The wicked woman hated the faithful preacher, and she advised the wicked girl to ask the bad husband to kill the faithful preacher. Can any of the young correspondents of the EVANGELIST tell in what chapter my subject is found and what the lesson teaches?

D. C. MOOMAW.

PERU, IND

We just closed a meeting of one week's duration, at Peoria, Ind., with one addition. The condition of the roads greatly interfered with our success. Had the weather stayed

favorable the result undoubtedly would have been greater. This is a hard field to work, as there has been at least four different organizations here; but if the prospects continue as now we will gain the victory. I am, in my weakness, trying to tell the story and will continue to preach for them every alternate Sabbath until the close of September and if the prospect is good perhaps longer. One half of my time is yet unoccupied. Of course I shall follow my plow on the farm until my ministerial work is sufficient to support my family. This fall and winter I want to engage in some revival work, and my motto will be "no cure, no pay," if the fault lays with the medicine. To say I am satisfied with the paper is but mildly putting it. May it continue in its mild tone is my prayer; and may we as ministers of the gospel work in peace for the upbuilding of Christ's Kingdom.

JOHN M. FOX.

EDNA MILLS, IND., March 3, '94.

The Brethren church at Edna Mills is progressing nicely. The ladies met March 1st, and organized a Sister's Aid Society with the following officers: President, Sister Hannah Simmons; Vice President, Mrs. Ida Hafford; Treasurer, Sister Hattie Maskell; Secretary, Sister Lucie Weidner; Chaplain, Mrs. Sarah Smith. The church at this place is in a better condition than it has ever been before. Bro. J. H. Palmer is our pastor. We can say that Bro. Palmer has revived the church at this place to its present condition, when it was almost disbanded, may the good work go on unto perfection.

MRS. DANIEL WEIDNER.

STAR NEWS.

MULUANE, KANS., March 14th, 1894.

I will again write a few lines for the EVANGELIST. The counsel meeting was held at Winfield March 10th. Bro. Elleson a delegate from South Haven was there. Bro. Schaper who was elected as our delegate was present. They met for the purpose of finding out we could get for our pastor the coming year it was left unsettled. Bro. Schaper was elected as correspondent secretary.

ESTLLA FELLEEL.

NOTICE.

Will the SECRETARIES of Young People's Societies whether King's Children, Guild or Christian Endeavor, please report at once in order that all the societies may be registered and report blanks be forwarded.

C. F. YODER, Sec'y.

Hiawatha, Kan.

CHURCHES AND WORK.

THE CARLETON CHURCH.

The Carleton Church is alive and at work, still feeling good over our